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## Chapter I
## Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

### B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

**Recommendations of the Permanent Forum**

**Follow-up on the recommendations of the Permanent Forum**

*Empowerment of indigenous women*

1. The Permanent Forum will continue to play a key role in the empowerment of indigenous women and to provide a platform in which States, the United Nations system and indigenous women evaluate the progress made and the challenges that remain to overcome the marginalization and exclusion of indigenous women.

2. The Permanent Forum urges States to cooperate with indigenous peoples to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence and discrimination against indigenous women, children, youth, older persons and persons with disabilities and to support measures aimed at ensuring their full and effective participation in decision-making processes at all levels and at eliminating structural and legal barriers to their full, equal and effective participation in political, economic, social and cultural life.

3. The Permanent Forum urges States to expand opportunities to enable indigenous women to participate actively in the political life of the country in which they live. The Forum also urges States to ensure the safety of indigenous women who are defending the rights of their peoples and territories and to prosecute those involved in incidents of violence against them.

4. The Permanent Forum welcomes the consideration of the empowerment of indigenous women as the focus area of the sixty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women and urges Governments to report on efforts to fully implement Commission resolutions 49/7, entitled "Indigenous women: beyond the ten-year



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review of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action", and 56/4, entitled "Indigenous women: key actors in poverty and hunger eradication".

5. The Permanent Forum reiterates the need for the implementation of recommendation 12 of its third session, relating to the situation of indigenous women migrants. The Forum invites the International Labour Organization to coordinate with other appropriate agencies, in cooperation with indigenous women's organizations, to prepare a report on the situation of indigenous women with regard to informal work, migration and working conditions, for submission at its eighteenth session.

6. The Permanent Forum recommends that the International Labour Organization, in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund and other relevant United Nations agencies, prepare a study on access to the labour market, labour conditions of indigenous women and youth and the challenges, barriers and stereotypes that may affect their professional development, for submission at the eighteenth session.

7. The Permanent Forum reiterates the need to implement recommendation 30 of its tenth session and invites the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to prepare a study on the impacts of climate change on indigenous women, for submission at the eighteenth session.

*Indigenous youth*

8. The Permanent Forum has, in recent years, expressed considerable concern regarding the situation of indigenous youth and the lack of disaggregated data thereon. To take action on this, in 2016, the Forum decided to include a recurring item on indigenous youth in the agenda of its annual sessions and has issued several youth-specific recommendations. The Forum welcomes the progress made and encourages further action by indigenous organizations and youth, as well as by members of the United Nations Inter-Agency Network on Youth Development and the Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Peoples' Issues, in implementing those recommendations.

9. The Permanent Forum recommends that indigenous peoples' organizations, as well as the United Nations entities in the Inter-Agency Network on Youth Development and the Inter-Agency Support Group on Indigenous Peoples' Issues, consult indigenous youth-led organizations to include issues pertaining to indigenous youth in their work at the local, national, regional and global levels.

10. The Permanent Forum calls upon the Economic and Social Council, including its youth forum, the high-level political forum on sustainable development, the Commission on the Status of Women and the Commission for Social Development, as well as other relevant United Nations forums, to include representatives of indigenous youth-led organizations in their meetings.

11. The Permanent Forum recommends that States provide financial support to the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Peoples to facilitate the participation of indigenous youth in all relevant United Nations meetings.

12. The Permanent Forum takes note of the organization of preparatory meetings for indigenous youth for its sixteenth session, including the Global Indigenous Youth Caucus meeting hosted by the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations. The Forum recommends that this practice be scaled up in 2018, with representative participation of indigenous youth through indigenous peoples' organizations from all regions, and invites the Food and Agricultural Organization to report back on progress at its seventeenth session, in 2018.